

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER NO. 02/03-39

TO: COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
COUNTY WELFARE FISCAL OFFICERS

SUBJECT: FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2002/03 KINSHIP/FOSTER CARE EMERGENCY
FUND STATE GENERAL FUND (SGF) ALLOCATION

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) NO. 02-87 KINSHIP/FOSTER CARE
EMERGENCY FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002/03

The purpose of this letter is to provide counties with the State General Fund (SGF) allocation of \$1,000,000 for the Kinship/Foster Care Emergency Fund Program pursuant to the FY 2002/03 Budget Act. The Kinship/Foster Care Emergency Fund was established in recognition of the number of foster children placed with relative caregivers in foster homes on an emergency basis. The purpose of the Kinship/Foster Care Emergency Fund is to remove some of the barriers associated with making successful placements in relative caregiver and foster family homes. Funding for this program is 100 percent SGF. To be eligible, counties were to have submitted a letter of intent by November 15, 2002. In addition, a report certifying use of these funds in an appropriate manner, and containing the elements referenced in the ACL noted above, must be submitted by August 1, 2003. Counties that participated in last fiscal year's program (FY 2001-02) and by submitting a letter of intent, were funded per the September 7, 2001, CFL No. 01/02-15 did not need to reapply for this year's funding. For further clarification for the use of these funds or what is expected of the counties, please reference ACL No. 02-87.

The base allocation was calculated as follows:

Counties with 500 or more children in relative placements	\$46,290
Counties with at least 100 but fewer than 500 children in relative placements	\$15,190
Counties with fewer than 100 children in relative placements	\$ 5,000

These allocations are based on the county's Child Welfare Services/Case Management System placement data for the month of April 2002. This calculation resulted in the \$1,000,000 being allocated to the 56 counties that responded. Los Angeles County was allocated an additional \$10,000 in recognition of the large number of relative placements in their county (see Attachment A).

Costs should be claimed to either Program Identifier Number (PIN) 562031 (for contracted services), or PIN 562068 (for direct costs) on the County Expense Claim. Costs exceeding the allocation will be shifted to county only via the State Use Only Code 563. During the closeout process it is anticipated that any surplus funds will be redistributed to deficit counties.

Questions concerning the allocation should be directed to your County Financial Analysis Bureau Analyst at (916) 657-3806. For questions concerning the use of these funds contact the Kinship Care Policy Unit at (916) 323-0463.

Original Document Signed By DOUGLAS D. PARK, Chief
Financial Planning Branch

Attachment

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Kinship/Foster Care Emergency Fund
SGF Allocation for FY 2002/2003

Attachment A

County	Planning Allocation
Alameda	\$46,290
Alpine	\$5,000
Amador	\$5,000
Butte	\$15,190
Calaveras	\$5,000
Colusa	\$5,000
Contra Costa	\$46,290
Del Norte	\$5,000
El Dorado	\$5,000
Fresno	\$46,290
Glenn	\$5,000
Humboldt	\$5,000
Imperial	\$15,190
Inyo	\$5,000
Kern	\$46,290
Kings	\$15,190
Lake	\$5,000
Lassen	\$5,000
Los Angeles	\$46,290
Madera	\$5,000
Marin	\$5,000
Mariposa	\$5,000
Mendocino	\$15,190
Merced	\$5,000
Modoc	\$5,000
Mono	\$5,000
Monterey	\$15,190
Napa	\$5,000
Nevada	\$5,000
Orange	\$46,290
Placer	\$15,190
Plumas	\$5,000
Riverside	\$46,290
Sacramento	\$46,290
San Benito	\$5,000
San Bernardino	\$46,290
San Diego	\$46,290
San Francisco	\$46,290
San Joaquin	\$15,190
San Luis Obispo	\$15,190
San Mateo	\$15,190
Santa Barbara	\$15,190
Santa Clara	\$46,290
Santa Cruz	\$15,190
Shasta	\$15,190
Sierra	\$5,000
Siskiyou	\$5,000
Solano	\$15,190
Sonoma	\$15,190
Stanislaus	\$15,190
Sutter	\$5,000
Tehama	\$5,000
Trinity	\$5,000
Tulare	\$46,290
Tuolumne	\$5,000
Ventura	\$15,190
Yolo	\$15,190
Yuba	\$5,000
Total	\$1,000,000